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WEEKLY COTTON GRADE AND STAPLE REPORTS FOR  
SOUTHEASTERN STATES FOR WEEK ENDING  
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According to weekly cotton grade and staple reports issued by the Atlanta office of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics for States in the Southeast, grades have been lower this season from the very first week of the ginning season up to now than for the corresponding period of last season. For the present season to date the high grades, including Strict Middling and higher grades, have been found in relatively small proportions, with North Carolina leading with 22 percent Strict Middling and above, followed by Alabama with 20 percent, Georgia 16 percent, South Carolina 10 percent, Florida 4 percent, and Virginia 3 percent.

The average staple length this season, generally, has been shorter than for the comparable period last season. Georgia is the only State in the Southeastern group whose reports do not reflect shorter staple lengths this season, as compared with those for last season. The proportions representing the longer lengths, 1 inch and longer, are as follows: North Carolina 58 percent; South Carolina 55 percent; Georgia 28 percent; Virginia 15 percent; Alabama 12 percent, and Florida 4 percent.

